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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM MOD BONN IS REPEATED FOR YOUR INFORMATION IN PREPARATION FOR 2 JULY NAPO STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:

QUOTE

FRG IS PREPARED TO PREFINANCE AN AD-EQUATE PORTION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FOR NAPO WHICH WILL INCUR FROM 1ST JULY 1975 THROUGH 30TH JUNE 1976 (DOLAR 400.000). THE OBLIGATION FOR THIS RESULTS FROM THE MAY 1975 MEETING HERE MINISTERS TOOK NOTE OF THE CNADS DECISION TO ESTABLISH NAPO.

FRG LIMITS ITS PREFINANCING OF ADMINISTRATIVE COST OF NAPO TO THE AMOUNT OF DOLLAR 100.000. IN ADDITION DOLLAR 125,000 WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE PREFINANCING OF THE CONTRACT DEFINITION STUDIES. IN THIS CASE THE OVERALL COMMITMENT OF FRG WOULD BE DOLLAR 225,000.

PROVIDED UK IS PREPARED TO PREFINANCE THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS FOR GROUND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (COLLAR 600,000) (SEE DRAFT LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING, PARA 18), FRG WOULD BE READY UNCLASSIFIED

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TO SHARE THE TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS WITH CANADA AND FRANCE. FOR INTERNAL BUDGETARY REASONS IT IS NECESSARY TO PAY THESE AMOUNTS TO THE SHAPE BUDGET AND FINANCE DIVISION, IN ORDER TO ENTRUST THE SHAPE FINANCE CONTROLLER WITH THE BUDGETARY

CONTROL AND TO SUBMIT THE BUDGET OF THE NAPO TO THE NATO-BOARD OF AUDITORS.

WE ANTICIPATE THAT NOT ONLY IN FRGS VIEW THESE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AS WELL AS OTHER RELEVANT ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE ENBODIED IN A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, TO BE AGREED BETWEEN THE PARITICIPATING COUNTRIES, PREVIOUS TO CONTRIBUTING THE ABOVE MENTIONED AMOUNTS.

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